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WAS THE FRAGSON CRIME PREMEDITATED? PAULETTE BELIEVES THE MURDERER SANE.



Fragson and Paulette, the girl he loved, on the cover of his last popular song. "Elle est Marseillaise" means "She is a Marseilles girl."



Mlle. Paulette Franck, who is twenty-four years of age, and very attractive. "Ah, monsieur, I feared that dreadful old man both for Harry's sake and for mine," she tearfully said to the police commissary, in speaking of Mr. Pott, the dead comedian's aged father.



Fragson and his father in a trio.



Fragson's father has a drink after arrest.



Fragson as a policeman.

Mlle. Paulette Franck, the beautiful young French tango dancer who, it is said, was the indirect cause of the murder of Harry Fragson, because the dead comedian's love for her aroused the old father's jealousy, believes that Fragson's murder was premeditated. She also believes that old Mr. Pott intended to compass her own

death. Far from being mad, she considers the old man to be very intelligent. It is also stated in Paris that a few days before the tragedy Pott, while in a café, pulled out a revolver and said to those present: "Look at this revolver. I shall be more popular than my son."

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A cough, however trivial it may appear, should never be neglected. Death lurks in every mist, fog and wind of our insular climate, especially in these long winter days. What may appear but a slight chill or cold will often rapidly develop into an acute attack of influenza, pleurisy, pneumonia, or even the most fatal of all diseases—consumption.

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- Whooping Cough
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THRALDOM OF "13."

Great Shopping Carnival Begins
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"A happy New Year to you."

New Year's Day, 1914, seems to have brought with it an argosy of cheerfulness and brightness, and heartfelt wishes were seldom exchanged with greater warmth. Gladness was in the air yesterday, and you encountered it in the streets everywhere.

Whether the thraldom of "13," regarded by many as unlucky, is merely superstition or not, imaginary or otherwise, people seemed really glad to have done with it. A vague cloud seemed to have been dispersed.

Gay, young, rollicking "1914," a New Year with a respectable number to its tale, should naturally bring with it an extra crop of good resolutions. Homes and offices were cramful of these yesterday.

LETTERS OF MARK.

In the luncheon hour business folk were telling each other of the firm resolves that they had laid down for themselves. They were many and various, and these were some of the most popular:—

Never be late for breakfast.
Exercise regularly in the early morning.
Walk and not run to the City train.
Yield more readily and curb temper.
Eat only two meals and a bit daily.
Answer all letters without delay.
Read a foreign language for evening study.

There certainly was little effort required to be cheerful yesterday. People who had welcomed the new year in all night long with considerable verve and high spirits, looked in the "pink" at midday, and their good-humour was positively contagious.

The weather, too, was ideal for the beginning of a new year. It was healthy, bracing and bright, and, altogether, the future seemed much more full of possibilities than a week ago.

Of course, the new year brought with it its attendant difficulties.

Most people who wrote letters yesterday made a mistake of a whole year in the date.

They had been writing 1913 for so long that 1914 caught them napping.

It was difficult for them to shake off an old friend, and consequently "January, 1913," or "December, 1913," disfigured many pages of letter paper.

CHEQUES FOR A MONTH.

One City man told *The Daily Mirror* that when he reached his office yesterday he took out his cheque-book and carefully wrote the date 1914 on sufficient cheques to last him for a month, by which time he hoped that he would be accustomed to the change of year.

Inquiries at various offices resulted in the following census of mistakes made in the date of letters between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.:—

	Letters Written.	Wrong Date.
Merchant	32	14
Solicitor	41	2
Printer	58	26
Architect	7	1
Estate agent	21	2
Debt collector	14	1
Barrister	6	1

With the caption of the barrister's letters, all the above were written by typists. The barrister was responsible for his own errors.

"Absent-mindedness, not carelessness or ignorance," he said, "was the cause of the blunders. I had enclosed all my letters in envelopes when it suddenly dawned on me that I had stumbled on the date."

The new year was not entirely welcomed by everyone. For instance, if you wished a bank clerk a "Happy New Year," he probably regarded you as a malevolent cynic.

For at the beginning of every year he is one of the least fortunate of men, as he has to work most of the hours out of the twenty-four. And the rush continues for about three weeks afterwards.

A London bank manager explained why. "First," he said, "there is the half-yearly balance to be made. This is a very big job and entails a lot of extra work. Then pass-books have to be made up and balanced. And companies are all paying their dividends and numberless private individuals are receiving certain payments which have to be dealt with at banks."

"All this makes so much extra work that practically all the staff have to work on an average sixteen hours a day for three weeks at least."

"The bank clerk, who is often envied because of his short hours, has no time for new year festivities like the majority of other people."

(Photographs on page 16.)

NEW YEAR SHOPPING CARNIVAL.

Thousands of women thronged West London shops yesterday and began their shopping campaign for the New Year.

In the afternoon it was difficult to cross the road or enter an omnibus.

"Customers were here before our assistants," said a buyer of a large drapery establishment to *The Daily Mirror*. "Many women were waiting at eight o'clock."

The cold weather has caused a great demand for winter clothing. "Had we anticipated this weather we should not have marked down our furs so cheaply," said the manager of a Regent-street firm.

A CHINESE DIPLOMAT ENJOYS HEALTH EXERCISES.



Wu Ting Fang, the famous Chinese diplomat, is seen above undergoing health exercises in America. He is a strict vegetarian, and, it is said, hopes to live to a great age. He evidently enjoys his exercises!

AN AMERICAN TOWN AFTER A BLIZZARD.



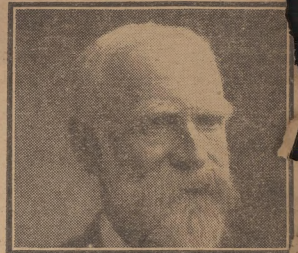
Accounts of severe blizzards in America often reach this country. The picture seen above is a striking illustration of the results of these visitations. It shows the town of Boulder, in Colorado, after a recent blizzard, with the streets many feet deep in snow, so that all traffic is impossible.

SIR FREDERICK BRIDGE'S DAUGHTER MARRIED.



Miss Mabel Bridge, daughter of Sir Frederick Bridge, the famous organist at Westminster Abbey, and Mr. Josiah Norcup after their wedding in London yesterday. Mr. Norcup is an old Abbey chorister.—(*Daily Mirror* photograph.)

FIVE NEW PEERS.



The Right Hon. James Bryce, the eminent diplomat and litterateur, who has been created a viscount.—(Lafayette.)



Lord Strathclyde, Lord Justice-General for Scotland (better known as Mr. Alexander Ure), created a baron.—(Elliott and Fry.)



Sir Harold Sidney Harmsworth, Bart., who is a younger brother of Lord Northcliffe, created a baron.—(Gabbell.)



Sir Rufus Isaacs, the Lord Chief Justice, created a baron.—(*Daily Mirror* photograph.)



Sir Charles Cripps, K.C., Unionist member for South Bucks, created a baron.—(Jancowski.)

HIDDEN BEHIND FRAGSON'S DOOR.

French Theory That Father's Crime Was Premeditated.

A FRIEND'S STORY.

Paris and London are still eagerly discussing the grim tragedy of Harry Fragon's death, which to his many friends seems like a nightmare crime. "One of Fragon's friends, who has just returned to London, tells *The Daily Mirror* something of the inner history of this lurid drama.

PAULETTE'S ESCAPE?

PARIS, Jan. 1.—The Fragon tragedy is again a prominent feature in the Paris Press this morning. The papers state that the declarations made before the magistrate would seem to show that the crime was premeditated. When Fragon entered the house his father, hidden behind the door, fired at him point blank in cold blood. The bullet entered behind the left ear. The magistrate, add the papers, is convinced that Pott would certainly have also fired on Mlle. Paulette had she accompanied Fragon.—Reuter.

TEARS OF THREE MEN.

Mr. Gordon Parker, who was Fragon's manager, said to *The Daily Mirror* yesterday, on his return from Paris:— "Poor Fragg was the dearest of pals. He was really and truly as a brother to me. He was the dearest pal in the world. It is awful to think of being killed like that. If he had been instantly killed by a motor-omnibus it would have been a terrible blow to us, but to be murdered by his own father—it is too awful to think about. "It is established beyond all doubt that the crime was not an accident. The old man was eccentric and in his dotage. It is perfectly true that he turned on all the gas-taps in the flat quite recently, and thus nearly caused an explosion. I can only think that his trial will end in his being placed in a mental hospital. "I see the *Matin* declares that a few days ago Pott pulled out a revolver at a cafe and said to those present, 'Look at this revolver. I shall be more popular than my son.' "The killing of Harry Fragon was the crime of a madman, not an accident. Harry went home to dress for the Alhambra after coming early with Paulette and his friend, M. Bloch, to a restaurant. M. Bloch occupied the opposite flat on the same landing in the house in the Rue Lafayette in which Fragon lived. It must have been about half-past eight when Harry reached his home. "He was anxious to get into his dress clothes in time to call at the Gare du Nord and pick me up on his way to the Alhambra. Paulette and M. Bloch had gone on to the station to make sure of meeting me."

"It is generally believed by Harry's friends in Paris that Pott intended to shoot both Harry and Paulette. There could have been no time for words between Harry and his father. "He was shot behind the left ear, and was holding his bunch of keys in his hand, as though he had been standing just inside taking them from the door when he was shot. He always carried his keys on a chain. "Pott's story of an argument is incredible. I know Harry too well. He had been vexed at being kept waiting through the door being bolted he would have rushed in, dashed into his dressing-room and talked to his father while he was dressing. "If he had been shot with his waistcoat half off one might believe there had been an argument; but I am sure there was no time for it. He was the most methodical of men, and would never have walked about with his keys in his hand. "Friends of Harry's had implored him to have the old man kept under restraint. But Harry was too kind. The last time he left him in Paris—for only three weeks—he gave him £200 to spend. This was for Pott's personal needs, not rent and that sort of thing. "Pott had his own cronies and used to go to his own cafe and spend a lot of time there, drinking all kinds of things. Though he was eighty-three nobody would have taken him to be more than sixty-five, and would have thought him well preserved at that. He was well set up and not in the least infirm. Yesterday, after the crime, he still looked like that. "Paulette is a pretty, petite, very dark-haired girl, to whom Harry was devotedly attached. He never intended her to appear with him, but he wished her to travel with him. "He was one of the most honourable men I ever had to do with. "As for his generosity—why, on the day of his death he had visited the round of jewellers' shops in Paris buying gifts for friends. He was the soul of generosity. "I can never forget the scene at the Bel Tabarin, of which he recently became part proprietor, when the fatal news we had been awaiting, knowing there was no hope, came to us about 11.15 on Tuesday night. "We were sitting in his partner's (Bosc's) office, and three of them burst into tears. The band was playing gaily, the Mexican dancing girls were the centre of a gay throng on the floor—and Fragon lay dead at the hospital, and would never sing and joke and romp with us again. "We were to have had a big supper-party last night, and all gone off to Bosc's chateau for eight days' shooting." (Photographs on page 1.)

NEW LUGGAGE RATES.

Prices for "Excess" Increased, but More Free Baggage Allowed.

Travelling folk must now be careful how they pack their luggage. The extra-suit and the additional gown will have to be considered.

New railway rates for passengers' luggage came into force yesterday. They affect the special rates for the carriage of passengers' luggage in advance, the personal luggage of theatrical companies, commercial travellers, ships' crews, emigrant parties, etc.

The following table indicates the increases in the charges for "excess" luggage:—

OLD CHARGE.	NEW CHARGE.
Up to 50 miles, 1d. per lb.	Up to 30 miles, 1d. per lb.
Above 50 miles, 1d. per lb.	Above 30 miles and not exceeding 50 miles, 1d. per lb.
Above 50 miles, 1d. per lb.	Above 50 miles and not exceeding 100 miles, 1d. per lb.
Above 100 miles, 1d. per lb.	Above 100 miles, 1d. per lb.
One-half the new excess luggage rates.	

Charges for the collection and delivery of passengers' luggage in advance are increased from 1s. to 1s. 3d. per package within specified areas, and from 1s. 6d. to 1s. 9d. outside those areas.

On the other hand, *The Daily Mirror* was informed at Charing Cross Station yesterday, whereas third-class passengers could previously carry only 60lb. of luggage without charge, they can now carry 100lb., and first-class passengers are allowed 150lb., instead of 120lb. as hitherto.

SKATING IN MANY PARTS.

Racing at Manchester Abandoned Owing to the Severity of the Frost.

Real ice and real skating all over the country for the week-end!

There is just a chance of it—if the weather does not suddenly turn warmer.

Skating was enjoyed yesterday in the following districts:—

Cock Marsh, Bourne End.
Engleware Lake, Ascot.
Certain portions of the Lincolnshire Fens.
Several ponds in the Bromley (Kent) district.
The Perle district.
North Wales.
Parts of North Yorkshire and at Northwich and

Thirteen degrees of frost were registered in the Upper Thames Valley early yesterday morning. At nine o'clock there were 14deg. of frost. There was a gradual rise in the temperature in Central London (Holborn-circus) during the day. Messrs. Negretti and Zambra recorded these figures:—

	Shade Temp.		Shade Temp.
9.0	33deg.	1.0	27deg.
10.0	34deg.	2.0	28deg.
11.0	35deg.	3.0	29deg.
Noon	35deg.		

Preparations were made yesterday by the officials of the Skating Club at Regent's Park to open the skating season to-day. The ice on a fine artificial plateau of 160 yards by 72 yards was over an inch deep.

Racing at Manchester yesterday was abandoned owing to the hard frost.

(Photographs on page 16.)

WELCOME TO NEW KNIGHT.

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Dear Sir,
The Daily Mirror tells us you are now Sir Robert Blair.
We are glad to wish you good wishes.

A letter sent by the infants at Virginia-road School, Bethnal Green, to Sir Robert Blair, the L.C.C. education officer.

WHEN DANCING IS PERILOUS.

When dancing becomes dangerous was explained to *The Daily Mirror* yesterday by a prominent medical man.

His opinion was sought as a result of the sudden death of a young girl of nineteen at a ball at Newark Town Hall. The jury returned a verdict of Death from syncope, brought on by the excitement of dancing after supper, and possibly by a cold.

"To some people dancing is undoubtedly dangerous," said the doctor in question. "Not only is there the sudden and often violent exercise which causes an extra strain on the heart, but there is also the excitement of the dance and the scene. A person with a weak heart is certainly liable to be affected. After food, of course, any form of exercise which is rather energetic is not advisable. To dance directly after supper is to run risks."

THE WEDDING TIDE.

Rush for Marriage Permits Before Eugenic Law Arrives.

LOVE WITH 12s. PERMIT.

Some—in the usual gloaming—Time—The very present.
He (rapturously), and let's get married at once. I have a health certificate, first-class, just passed all my exams.
She (aftering): Yes, that would be lovely, but—er—that is to children.
(Both exit to the doctor.)

Some such touching dialogue as this will possibly be the new way of love in that very modern American State of Wisconsin, which is about one half the size of the United Kingdom. Yesterday was an important date for lovers in Wisconsin, for the State's new eugenic marriage law came into operation for the first time.

Quite definitely, officially, and unromantically the new law says that in future every bride and bridegroom must present certificates of health before they can obtain a marriage licence.

Ministers of religion have been strong supporters of this new law, their argument being that with the aid of enormous benefit to future generations and the State.

Doctors, however, have opposed the law, mainly on the ground that they get a fee of only 12s. for making the necessary examination.

They say that the fee is ridiculously low, because the Eugenic Law Examination requires four "Wasserman" tests, extending over a period of four months, followed by a "Noguchi" test. Even these tests do not complete the examination, as the latter is followed by the law would spend the whole examination over six months—and all for twelve shillings!

The people of Wisconsin have been very much perturbed about the law ever since it was projected.

Before it came into operation yesterday there was a rush for marriage permits all over the State by engaged couples.

SIGN OF THE HALF-MOON.

Thirty-Eight Tiny Wounds Described by Doctor at Inquest on London Woman.

Mysterious wounds in the shape of a half-moon, apparently made by a sharply-pointed instrument, were described at the inquest which was opened yesterday on the body of a Welshman, Crouchman, who was found dead in a room at Eton-street, Tabard-street, Southwark. A man named George Williams is in custody charged with being concerned in the woman's death.

Walter Crouchman, the husband, said he had been separated for some years from his wife, who was not a temperate woman. The last time they lived together they were at a Shoreditch public-house, of which his wife was licensee. During this period she took to drink.

A policeman who found the woman lying dead said the room presented a very disorderly appearance, the bedding being scattered over the floor and pictures on the walls having been smashed.

Mary Gibbard, a caretaker, said deceased when she rented the room gave the name of Dolly. Witness: Did not ask her for her surname because "Some are here to-day and gone to-morrow." On Saturday afternoon witness heard quarrelling in the room.

Dr. Spilsbury, pathologist at St. Mary's Hospital, who had made a post-mortem examination, said death was due to heart failure from shock following the injuries the woman had received. There was a large amount of bruising as well as thirty-eight small punctures arranged in the shape of a half-moon. They might have been tattoo marks, but it was difficult to say. They appeared to have been made with an instrument having two teeth half an inch apart.

The Coroner: Like a spur?—I am not in a position to say with certainty.

Have you ever had a similar case yourself?—No, not exactly like this.

The inquiry was adjourned until January 8.

PEER'S SON IN A FRACAS.

The story of an extraordinary fracas on Christmas Day in a mansion at Ardman, Co. Tipperary, was told in the local police court yesterday.

William Jones, a servant in the Hon. Mrs. Hugh Massy's employment, was charged with assaulting Robert McLachlan, Mrs. Massy's steward.

On Christmas morning, according to Mrs. Massy's statement, Jones was under the influence of drink, and was about to go out for more whisky when she ordered the yard gate to be locked.

Thereupon, Jones, in a rage, and, finding the door locked, furiously assaulted Mr. Massy, who came to his wife's rescue, twice knocked him down and assaulted Robert McLachlan.

Jones, who denied that he assaulted Mr. Massy or McLachlan, and asserted that it was they who assaulted him, was remanded to Waterford Gaol.

The Hon. Hugh Massy is the eldest son and heir of Lord Massy, an Irish representative peer.

TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

Our special weather forecast for to-day is:—Increasingly bright with south-westerly breezes and occasional light rain.

Lighting-up time, 5.0 p.m. High water at London Bridge 8.46 a.m.

LONDON OBSERVATIONS: Holborn Circus, City, 6 p.m.: Barometer, 30.55 in.; falling; temperature, 32deg.; wind, variable, light; weather, hazy and frosty.

Sea passages will be smooth and misty.

SLEEPING IN ICE.

When Polar Explorers Find Their Beds Become Refrigerators.

One of the greatest hardships of Polar explorers is having literally to sleep in ice.

Their sleeping-bags become so thickly coated, inside and out, that they are really ice-bags. An attempt to mitigate this discomfort—to say the least of it, for to ordinary people it would be sheer agony—is to be made by the Shackleton Expedition.

"Great improvements are to be introduced in the sleeping-bags," said Sir Ernest Shackleton to *The Daily Mirror* yesterday. "We are going to have prepared a store of inner sleeping-bags of very light material which can be taken out and thrown away after they geticed up."

"The moisture of the body causes ice to form within the bag, which doubles the weight of the bag. One of the sleeping-bags used by Dr. Wilson's party in the Scott Expedition increased from 10lb. to 42lb. in weight. And, of course, the presence of this ice uses up a great deal of the body heat in the effort to get warm."

"We are not introducing these inner bags for love of luxury and sybaritic ease, but simply to obtain more warmth, which means more body heat, and thus more efficiency."

An elaborate long-distance wireless telegraph outfit we could not carry on account of weight, for every bit of weight is a consideration. But we shall have a sort of 'pocket' outfit to carry 500 miles.

The equipment of the expedition will certainly show a notable advance in several ways. We are experimenting with metal alloys combining, we hope, the lightness of aluminium and the strength of steel, and if we find they are capable of enduring Antarctic temperatures without becoming brittle they, or some one of them, will certainly be used.

This change, for instance, would reduce the equipment of the six men in the trans-Continental party to 600lb., which is the weight of the food supply of six men for twenty days.

"I have been studying very earnestly the mathematical laws of pulling strains with a certain engine force."

"Aeroplane for flying have been rejected because no aeroplane could do 1,500 miles without only 50ft. would so damage a machine that there would be no chance for the three men on it of getting away again by it—and they would have no other means available."

"The effect of the propeller on a motor-sledge is not enough to lift it into the air, but is enough to relieve the main weight."

"Our motor-sledge or sledges will be a sort of moving depot party."

"On January 1, 1915, I hope to be on the plateau near the South Pole."

"Last time I announced that I should leave New Zealand at four o'clock on January 1, 1908, and punctually at four o'clock I did. The papers were so vast that I cannot name a date."

"RUNNING BEAR."



The wife and child of the Indian chief, Aruh Singh. The child is to be christened Running Bear at the World's Fair.

TWO BY-ELECTIONS.

The elevation of Sir Alfred Cripps to the peerage and the appointment of Mr. Atherton-Jones to the Bench cause two by-elections.

The Liberal candidate for South Bucks, which Sir Alfred Cripps represents, will probably be Colonel Claude Vere Cavendish Hobart, D.S.O., a relative of the Earl of Buckinghamshire, who was in November last adopted by the local Liberal Association as the prospective candidate.

Mr. Atherton-Jones's majority in North-West Durham, where the other by-election takes place, was 4,171. He sat there as the Liberal member.

STRIKE SPOILS SCHOOL TREATS.

BLACKBURN, Jan. 1.—A general strike of the Blackburn Corporation workers was in full swing to-day.

Over 150 schools, missions and other organisations to-day held their New Year social meetings, but the promoters report a marked decrease in patronage, as many parents remained at home with their families, fearing a sudden collapse of the gas service.

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Marchioness of Dufferin.

A Dufferin Debutante

The Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava spent Christmas at Clancloboe with Harriet Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava. Her eldest daughter, Lady Doris Blackwood, will be the most promising debutante of the season. This very pretty and accomplished girl was eighteen on the fourteenth of last month. The Marchioness and her daughters spend most of their time at North House, Putney Hill.

A Delayed Visit.

It is now settled that Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught shall delay their visit to the Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden at Stockholm for a few weeks. They had intended going within the next few days, as was first stated in these columns several weeks ago.

Honour for the Duke.

The Duke of Portland, who entertained the Archduke at Welbeck Abbey, has been specially honoured by the Emperor, who has conferred upon him the Grand Cross of the Stephan Order, which is an unusually high honour.

Rochester's Lamb.

Mr. Ernest H. Lamb, Rochester's popular M.P., ended the old year by being married in Ireland to Miss Rosa Hurst, and began the New Year by being knighted. The new knight is a keen supporter of football, swimming and all forms of sport. An enthusiastic horseman, he has had his share of accidents, including a broken arm.

The What'll Club.

The What'll Club, which held its first annual dinner at the Grand Union Hotel, New York, on December 18, is the only Atlantic Ocean club in existence, and has its headquarters on the ss. Minnetonka (Atlantic Transport Line). Dr. Seton Pattison, of the Minnetonka and the founder of the club, was the chairman. On each voyage of the Minnetonka the two most distinguished passengers are elected members.

A Telephone Joke.

A friend of mine played a joke on the Telephone Exchange on the last stroke of the old year. He rang up the exchange and said: "1913. Hop."

A Character Artist.

During the Christmas week one of the most popular entertainments in town has been "Under the Mistletoe" as given at the Steinway Hall by Mr. Stacey Aumonier. This talented character sketch artist is rapidly making a great name for himself. Mr. Aumonier has in his sense of character been compared with Mr. Albert Chevalier. He calls his entertainment one for those who are young in heart, and it is a good description.



Mr. Stacey Aumonier.

BAN ON FEATHERS?

Provision of Bill to Make the Wearing of Wild Birds' Plumes Illegal.

Will the wearing of wild birds' feathers be prohibited in this country?

It is proposed to introduce a Bill into Parliament next session to prevent the importation of the feathers of wild birds, but the objection has been suggested that, provided a woman on entering this country wears feathers she has bought abroad, she will be able to get through the Customs unchallenged.

A suggestion has been made that the wearing of wild birds' feathers should be made illegal, so that any feathers smuggled into the country could not be worn.

Even foreign visitors to the United States are not allowed to wear the feathers of wild birds; if they do, the feathers are liable to be seized.

It is stated that Germany and Austria are willing to co-operate with Great Britain in efforts to suppress the export, import and wearing of plumes.

So great is the popularity of ospreys, a correspondent writes, that in many cases in one of the large hotels at Christmas time women wore two aigrettes in their hair, one on the top and another at the side. Aigrettes were in evidence everywhere, and one was even worn by a man in Indian costume at a fancy dress ball.

Many rare and beautiful birds are rapidly becoming extinct through the demand for their feathers as articles of adornment.

Spoonbills and flamingoes are birds which the feather-hunters have made almost extinct, and the egret and heron are also special victims.

THIS MORNING'S GOSSIP

The Savoy Celebration.

The best place in London to see the New Year in was in the supper-room of the Savoy Hotel. The Savoy is famous for these occasions, but this year it excelled itself. Huge silver bells were suspended over the supper tables. They were there to ring the New Year in and to drop crackers on the heads of the guests.

Midnight Madness.

It was a wild and whirling scene at midnight. All Bohemia and a lot of suburbia were there. The City was well represented. As the clock chimed the magic hour I saw England's most famous airman standing on a table with a paper cap on his head. The staidest editor in London wore a paper kilt. He threw bread pellets at people.

The Merriest Table.

The merriest table of all was the one at which Miss Ethel Levey and Miss Shirley Kellogg shared the honours. Miss Kellogg ought to have been in bed, as she had a bad cold, but, like a naughty child, she refused, and actually took the lead in pelting the bells on the ceiling to knock the crackers out. And she throws things with the aim of a practised cricketer. That is why our table was smothered in crackers.

Miss Levey's Curls.

Everyone was noticing Miss Ethel Levey's Argentine curls. They suit her to perfection; but when she told me that their success had started a fashion and that any number of women are now cultivating the curl from the Argentine, I grew nervous. What looks delightful on the cheeks of Ethel Levey would seem sadly out of place on some faces.

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No Knighthood for Jim Larkin.

Overheard in the train: "No knighthood for Jim Larkin, after all the nice things Mr. Birrell said about him!"

The Lord Mayor's Popularity.

The present Lord Mayor, Sir Vansittart Bowater, is remarkably popular, and they tell me at the Mansion House that this is due to his genial smile, his ready wit and his general agreeableness of manner. There have been Chief Magistrates who have been quite different.

Mr. Marconi as Literary Celebrity.

Mr. Marconi's letters are attaining literary value. One of his missives discussing his wireless experiments is for sale at a well-known bookseller's, priced 41 10s.

\$500 on Offer.

Here is a chance to earn £500. The manager of one of the best-known music-halls in the West End tells me he is willing to pay any man £500 who can find him a new turn who will stay at the top of the bill for four months.

At the Lotus.

Tangolow saw the New Year in with characteristic vivacity. At the Lotus Club there were many novelties, including a turn by the Palace Girls. The rooms were so crowded that some people had to resort to the stairs. It was here that Phyllis Monckman went to have her shoe tied up. It nearly came off in the ballroom.

The Four Hundred.

"At the Lotus somebody remarked: 'Why, everybody is here.' Then we went on to the Four Hundred, and discovered how many other people we had forgotten. The Four Hundred was a little more staid in its rejoicings than the Lotus, but the ballroom dance was quite delightful. Mr. Louis Hirsch was here listening contentedly to all his latest ragtime numbers.

Lady Balloonist's Reminiscences.

The Hon. Mrs. Assheton Harbord, who recently showed such wonderful pluck when flying across the Channel with M. Salmet, tells me that she is now engaged in writing her reminiscences. Mrs. Harbord has had many stirring experiences in the air, and was, of course, the first lady to cross the Channel in her own balloon. As far as ballooning and aeroplaning are concerned, she tells me that she doesn't know what nerves are. Lucky and plucky lady!

Paulette.

Mlle. Paulette Franck, the French actress and tangoist, is well known in London theatrical circles. Very dark and very French, she bears a certain resemblance to Mlle. Polaire, the woman with the smallest waist in the world. Paulette has accompanied Fragon to theatres and parties for years past. Many people always called her Mrs. Fragon.

Overheard in Piccadilly Yesterday Morning.

Dishevelled Young Man to Policeman on point duty: What's the time, constable?
Constable: 'Awf pawst nine, sir.
Dishevelled Young Man: Half-past nine! My word, I shall be late for dinner!
Constable: Dinner, sir? Why, I mean it's half-past nine in the morning, not night.

A Gift from France.

Miss Maria Minetti, who is now appearing with great success in "The Marriage Market," is of French extraction. She made her first appearance in "Gipsy Love" on tour. Mr. George Edwards thinks she has a very bright future, and he ought to know.

Paying for Fashion.

The low-necked fashion now prevalent amongst the fair sex is having the same results as the pneumonia blouse fashion—it is keeping the doctors busy. Never was there a winter with so many women suffering from coughs and colds.

An Anxious Time.

The Duke of Rutland has been really very seriously unwell for the past fortnight, and has passed his Christmas at a nursing home in London. As a matter of fact, he has been very poor health for the past two months, and the attack of influenza he had in November was far sharper than was generally known to the public. The Duchess of Rutland has had a very anxious time with illness amongst her family, for Lord Granby has been very ill, and Captain Charles Lindsay, a brother of the Duchess, was critically ill for several days, but both fortunately are now going on well.

The Nice Carnival.

The Nice Committee of Fêtes has ordered that the colours to be worn at the first costume ball during Carnival Week shall be orange, red and silver, and from now until the end of the carnival these colours will be displayed in half the shops of Nice.

Solid Confetti.

People who are going to Nice for this carnival should not forget to supply themselves with wire masks to be worn on confetti day. They are absolutely necessary in order to protect the face from the stinging balls of chalk or plaster with which the confetti is made.

Peers' Sisters in Convents.

The entrance of Julia Lady Lyveden into an Edinburgh convent is not an isolated instance. Among others are Lady Leopoldina Keppel, sister of the Duke of Albemarle, who is a Sacred Heart nun, to which order also belongs the Earl of Ashburnham's only daughter. The Duke of Norfolk has one sister a Carmelite nun, while the Duchess has four aunts who are nuns. Four sisters of Lord Trimlestown are nuns.

To-day's Resolves.

How many new year resolutions have been broken already?

How many people started the New Year with a headache?

How many variety agents are trying already to book Mlle. Paulette Franck for the London stage?

How many persons were disappointed over the New Year's honours?

Does "Monna Lisa" feel at home now?

Why America is allowed to take our best lady vaudeville artists?

A Stricken Dancer.

I am glad to see that the *Era* has opened a fund on behalf of that delightful and dainty English dancer, Miss Topsy Sinden. An accident on the stage of the Empire has incapacitated Miss Sinden from pursuing the profession which she graced so admirably. Some of the leading lights of the stage are interesting themselves in the case.

THE RAMBLER.

Miss Topsy Sinden.

"THE COCKYOLLY BIRD" AT THE CHILDREN'S THEATRE.

A scene from "The Cockyolly Bird," which was given at the Children's Theatre, in London. It has been opened at the Court Theatre, and the tiny players show great cleverness. The picture shows Japanese and their airship.

HOUSES OF LEAD!

Curious Forecast of Future Architecture Supported by New Novel.

"Shall we have houses built of lead in the future?"

The question arises on reading Mr. H. C. Wells's new story, in which he deals with the coming romance of atomic energy which, the vision of the scientist suggests, will ultimately displace every other form of energy for traction.

As is generally known, lead has the least atomic energy of any known substance, and Mr. Lawrence Weaver, F.S.A., a great authority on leadwork, admitted to *The Daily Mirror* that if this atomic energy system were to be pursued there would be a vast lot of lead as a by-product, and we should be able to use lead with much greater freedom for architectural purposes.

"Lead," he added, "does not rust and it perishes very slowly indeed, particularly if pure." Mr. Weaver pointed out that lead is essentially an English metal, and that much of the fine decorative leadwork on the Continent was done with lead which came from England.

However great its defects from the point of view of atomic energy, it was none the less true that its services to architecture, both in practical and aesthetic ways, had been great and lasting.

"The early sculptors," Mr. Weaver added, "used lead for quite important subjects."

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THE GROWN-UPS' CONSPIRACY.

IT begins almost with the New Year, and consists of a series of Conferences of twenty-one great educational associations, joining in a week of mammoth meetings at the University of London.

Colleges, associations, unions, guilds, societies, speling sosisets, will gather from far, to discuss speling and "character-building," preparation for the stress of life, child study, home reading, nature study and modern v. ancient languages. About it and about will the talk move, sometimes boring, sometimes brilliant, theoretical merely, or claiming to be "based on experience." How next to set about reforming the child; how next to attack the infant—is not this a conspiracy of grown-ups?

Much as we value this taking thought, educationally, for the morrow, in order that the lilies of the field may grow up straighter and in greater uniformity, we fear it will look like a conspiracy to the not-yet-grown-up, the children; also, as it happens, now gathered here in great numbers for the holidays. We have heard of the march of the gods into Walhalla. The children may very likely look upon the entry of teachers into the Conference as a preliminary ranging of their little gods, the grown-ups, to oppress them in a new way.

Perhaps with King Stork instead of with King Log? With new methods worse than the old? It really has been King Log, in a sense, for many children up till now. Greek can be evaded. You can learn Latin for years without knowing anything about it. But, now, suppose those teachers, going into the ark there arm in arm—suppose they decide, in this Conference Week, to spring German upon us as compulsory? German will be harder to dodge. It has life in it. It is said to be of use, and we, as children, shall have no argument against it. What are we to do? Come aside and talk it over.

Hereupon, we imagine a counter-conference of infants; debating, in high treble, in contralto, in breaking treble-into-tenor, the means of resistance against the new ideas of the grown-ups.

The first treble-tenor says: "It's all right. Let them jaw! They can't do anything. They can decide what they like. We won't do it. They've decided I'm to learn Latin, haven't they? Well, I've been six years learning it. I know nothing about it and don't intend to. Give me aeroplanes."

The contralto retorts: "Yes, but I say we better pretend to, you know, because otherwise there'll be such a row—and more conferences. Let's pretend to like German. We shall have Herr Professors over and won't we rag them just! Why at school

But a bold treble interrupts: "I votes we burn them alive now we've got them together."

Then just as this incendiary speaks, the Teachers' big door opens and one emerges bearing a New Year's message. "Children, dear children," he says, "we've decided that the modern tendency is against your being taught anything but what you want to learn. What do you want to learn, dear children?"

And our vision ends with a crowd of rowdy-children shouting: "Nothing! Rot! Aeroplanes! How to drive motors! Give us aeroplanes! Give us aeroplanes and our rights!" W. M.

THROUGH "THE MIRROR."

RESOLUTIONS.

I DETERMINED in 1913 to get up in time for breakfast all the winter.
 Result—I got up in time for breakfast on January 1, 1913.

On January 2, 1913, I just managed to be in time for breakfast, at the cost of cutting myself very badly in shaving.

On January 3, 1913, I was five minutes late for breakfast, on January 4, 1913, I was little more than half an hour late.

I have been more or less late for breakfast ever since. For 1914 I have made no resolutions.

A. E. L.

THE GREATEST CURSE.

THE greatest present-day curse is the growth of a sickly sentimentalism, which encourages the

"ABOMINABLE LANGUAGE."

YOUR cartoon based on "the language they use in the Army" was read with great amusement by the officers here.

It is true that a great number of officers do use abominable language, but surely, when a fellow is annoyed, one would rather have a curse—that is generally, short, sharp and decisive—than silent temper that lasts for hours and in consequence irritates everyone.

I speak from experience. Living here are two officers. One cuts himself while shaving—curses, and promptly forgets the incident.

The other cuts himself, says nothing, but comes in to breakfast looking like nothing on earth and remains cross for the greater part of the day, and upsets everyone!

And, after all, curses are generally impersonal and ignored by sensible people, for, once said,

OUR WONDERFUL AGE OF CHEAP AMUSEMENTS.—NO. 2.



Crossing the Channel—or, indeed, travel of any sort—provides another illustration of the cheapness and charm of many of our modern amusements.—(By Mr. W. K. Haselden.)

hooligan, cheers the murderer, and clamours for the abolition of capital punishment.

This applauding of crime and murder is undoubtedly the most evil sign of the times.

ANTI-CRIME.

DO BAD BACHELORS MAKE GOOD HUSBANDS?

IT is good for a man to have been a little flighty in youth. It is best for him to get his flightiness over before marriage.

Then, after marriage, he settles down and does not seek adventure. WELL MARRIED.

Cambridge-street, S.W.

I HAVE been interested in the correspondence under the heading "Do Women Like Bad Men?" Many men are inclined to be frail. What about bad women who lead them on?

God bless all good women who give a second chance to the so-called bad man, for it is very often the redeeming of him.

It is the turning away from him which makes him despair and think there is no good in him, and so without the guiding hand he sinks lower. F. D.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

He who will work aright must not trouble himself about what is ill-done, but only do well himself.—Grotius.

they are forgotten; but oh, the horror of the man who mopes in silence all day. Let us have the man who curses and forgets!

He at least is objectionable only for a minute or two. The other is in danger of being a permanent bore to everybody he meets.

Aldershot.

MILITARY.

THE HAPPY CHILD.

Thou shalt wander like a breeze
 By lakes and sandy shores, beneath the crags
 Of ancient mountain, and beneath the clouds,
 Which image in their bulk both lakes and shores
 And mountain crags: so shalt thou see and hear
 The lovely shapes and sounds intelligible
 Of that eternal language, which thy God
 Utters, Who from eternity doth teach
 Himself in all and all things in Himself.
 Great universal Teacher! He shall mould
 Thy spirit, and by giving make it ask.

Therefore all seasons shall be sweet to thee,
 Whether the summer clothe the general earth
 With greenness, or the redbreast sit and sing
 Betwixt the tufts of snow on the bare branch
 Of mossy apple tree, while the night thatches
 Smokes in the sunshower; whether the evedrops fall
 Heard only in the trances of the blast,
 Or if the secret ministry of frost
 Shall hang them up in silent icicles,
 Quietly shining to the quiet moon.

—COLERIDGE.

LONELY WOMEN.

Our Readers' Thoughts About the Problem of the Deserted Wife.

HOW many, I wonder, of those women who call themselves "lonely" and "despairing" because their husbands have left them have ever paused for a moment to ask themselves fairly and squarely this question—
Why has my husband left me?

In most cases, I fear, the answer would be, if the real truth were faced, an uncomfortable one, and therefore it is avoided.

In all human probability their own consistently unbearable conduct towards their husbands (many of whom had few serious vices probably after all) deserved such an action on the men's part, and they got practically what they asked for.

Then when it is too late, love has turned to loathing, and when the bird has flown to find a peace and happiness elsewhere they whine, despair, and are lonely.

The question is: Is a woman ever satisfied?
 My wife a few years ago drove me from her side. I left, gave her a comfortable home and a sufficient allowance, and we live peacefully apart. It works splendidly.

Surely it is best to be businesslike and sensible in such matters, instead of wallowing in a sea of sickly sentimentality as to what Mother Grundy may have to say.

A BIRD WHO HAS FLOWN.
 London.

I COMMENT to "Despairing" the admirable letter of "A Companion in Distress"—so obviously sincere and intelligent. "Every man," wrote Seneca, "thinks his own burden the heaviest." There is, at any rate, so much truth in this that it has to be accepted as a human probability.

"Despairing" is suffering under a trouble which, of necessity, affects her comfort and her self-respect. That is just how some terrible physical mutilations may affect a person. Recovery is impossible in such cases. It only remains to endure with all the dignity and courage one can develop.

The lady in her loneliness longed for self-expression. She might have done much more than write her anonymous letter. As a fellow-sufferer, I advise her to summon to her assistance every particle of righteous pride she possesses. Let her reject all flippant, callous, unintelligent criticism with inward contempt. Let her strive to rise above useless pity, and let her check or control self-pity.

So long as she values self-respect she has something to live for, and if she lives to satisfy her self-respect, she will find her way to other satisfactions—even to some measure of comfort in very loneliness.

Due self-respect, too, will lead to a due regard for other people.

DESICHAADO.

TO-DAY'S DINNER-TABLE TOPICS.

Whether, on second thoughts, you hold it wiser to resolve to do things and (probably) not to do them; or not to resolve to do them, but to do them instead; or neither to resolve to do them, nor to do them.

Of course, you cannot avoid, next, the question "how this weather suits you." Alternative form—"Is it cold enough for you?" Frosty subjects—such as skating and winter sports—may be added.

Which of the pantomimes you've seen and which you like the best.

IN MY GARDEN.

JAN. 1.—The New Year comes in seasonable fashion, to find the garden covered with snow and frost-bound.

There is plenty of useful work that may be undertaken outside in the country garden even during such bitter weather as this. Most important of all, as I lately mentioned, is the protecting of frames and tender subjects. Material for digging into the vegetable garden later on may now be wheeled into position, as the ground is hard and clean.

Trees and shrubs can be pruned and a bonfire of all garden rubbish kept going; the ashes should be sifted and kept in a dry place until the spring, when they will be found useful for the (frequent) lawns and for seed-sowing operations. E. F. A.

VALUABLE HORSES POISONED?



Miss Baptista Schreiber, with her splendid milk-white horse, who has been delighting the audiences at the Wonder Zoo with her riding feats. This horse and another died at Olympia yesterday under mysterious circumstances. Other horses have been affected, and poisoning is feared.

WONDERFUL DRESSES IN THE



Miss Shirley Kellogg.

SISTER'S DEATH FROM GRIEF.



Lucy Philpot, aged six, who died, in the doctor's opinion, as a result of hearing of the death of her sister, Violet, aged nine (seen in the small picture). The inquest took place at Dover.

DESCENT INTO A CRATER.



The mouth of the new crater on Mount Vesuvius, which opened when the floor of the crater fell in. Photographed by Mr. Frederick Burlingham, of London, a film operator with a reputation for daring.

SLEIGH AS AMBULANCE.



A patient being taken to hospital on a toboggan at Buxton. This is the most convenient method of locomotion at the spa.

GOLDEN WEDDING.



Mr. and Mrs. John Morgan Richards on their golden wedding day. Mr. Richards is father of the late John Oliver Hobbes.



Harry Tate

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W REVUE, 'HULLO, TANGO.'

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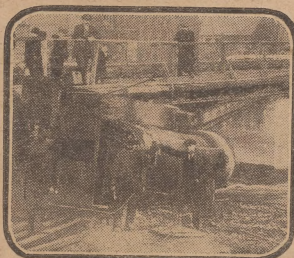
Miss Ethel Levey.



Group taken after the wedding of Mr. E. H. Lamb, Liberal M.P. for Rochester, and one of the new knights, to Miss Rosa Hurst at Magheradroll (Co. Down). Dr. Hazel, ex-Liberal M.P. for West Bromwich (behind bride and bridegroom), was best man.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)

WHY WOMEN ARE IMPERVIOUS TO COLD.

BOY ON FOOTPLATE.



Engine which ran away and fell into the River Ebbw as the result of a boy (who jumped clear) amusing himself with the levers.

DARING COUNTESS.



Countess Molitor, of Russia, who has in view the exploration of the Ruba el Khali Desert (Arabia), which no European has ever entered.



Women, it appears, have an extra layer of fat, which keeps them warm while men shiver. The pictures, taken yesterday, show girls with bare throats, while the man was muffled up. He could never have stood the cold without protection.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



Miss Julia James.

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ARE YOU A PROP?— THEN BE WARNED!

Unselfishness—Carried Too Far When a
Lover Is Yielded Up to a Sister.

OFFICE AND FAMILY PROPS.

"I am tired of being unselfish!"

This is the declaration of a girl who writes to say she is turning over a fresh leaf this New Year. She has always been the unselfish one of the family, she says, and she finds it very bad for other people to know there is someone ready to "give up" everything for them upon every occasion.

"And very bitter for myself," she adds, giving several instances of how her many kindnesses have not been repaid by those about her, but absolutely met by spiteful actions.

THE LAST STRAW.

"The last straw has been this—that the man I love has been seized by my sister. We both cared for him, and because I was unselfish I said to myself 'Let May go here and let May go there,' where he was going to be. She went to half a dozen entertainments to my one, and, of course, propinquity told in the end, and they are engaged to be married.

"So that is why I am going to look out for myself in 1914, and let my good and noble conduct languish."

This is a sad little story enough, but not an uncommon one. In most families there are unselfish members, from whom the others expect all sorts of sacrifices, holding themselves "hurt" and badly used if they do not receive them.

It is the same in office life; the unselfish girls are everlastingly doing for others what the others never think of doing for them in return. They give up long-expected treats, do odds and ends of tiresome needlework, lend money and give it, too, and actually deprive themselves of their sweethearts to oblige their sisters and their fellow-workwomen.

Now it seems to me that unselfishness can only be sweet up to a certain point.

DON'T MAKE OTHERS SELFISH.

My correspondent was unfair, not only to herself, but to the young man for whom she cared, when she gave her sister five opportunities out of six to meet him and get to know him. After all, she ought to have thought of him first, and foremost, and have afforded him the opportunity of choosing her instead of her sister if he desired to do so.

I am disposed, however, to comfort her by this premise, that the young man was perfectly capable of seeking her out if he had really wanted to know her better.

All the same, self-sacrifice on anyone's part should not be utterly foolish. Those who see that they are making others selfish and grasping and callous and unkind by their habit of always "giving up" should take great pains to judge when it is right, and when wrong, to be a prop. M. H.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS.



Miss Isabel J. B. Hazel-foot, daughter of the late Mr. F. K. H. Hazel-foot, who is to be married to-morrow to Mr. Ralph G. P. Cotton. (Thomson.)



Miss Patricia Montanaro, daughter of Colonel Montanaro, C.B., who is to be married shortly to Lieutenant Vyvian Drake Brockman, R.A. (Swaine.)

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NOVEL POINTS IN EVENING GOWNS.

Velvet Corsages and Panniers on Skirts
of Chiffon and Tulle.

For evening dresses one of the prettiest and most effective trimmings now being worn in Paris is that made of passementerie and large tassels. These tassels take the place of a heavy fringe, and they give really splendid effects in silver, mixed with crystal and seed pearl beads.

On the evening dress I have sketched this week you will see this trimming shown to per-

all; nevertheless the thin layer of chiffon makes the neck look very white and round.

The evening coat in the sketch was made of cherry-red velvet, bordered with pure white satin, and at the back it was slightly trained. This particular model would look well in almost any pastel tint. For a generally useful gown it would be lovely in black satin, black chiffon and handsome jet trimming. The corsage could in this case be made of pale gold tulle mounted over a pale colour and the transparent bolero in fine white tulle.

Appropriating gowns, I must not forget to record the fact that one of the most famous



For New Year balls. A charming frock of white chiffon and charmeuse, with silver and pearl tassels and belt of silver roses.

fection. The original model of this gown was worn on the vaudeville stage in a recent successful piece.

The under-dress was composed of very supple white satin, and the long drapery which covered one side was in ivory-white chiffon, bordered with silver and seed pearl passementerie and large silver tassels, the latter being enriched with crystal and seed pearl beads. The little corsage was made of silver tulle, traced over with crystal beads, and the roses which formed the cinch were in faintest pick shades, with frosted silver leaves.

TRANSPARENT BOLERO OF CHIFFON.

One of the very novel points of this gown was the transparent bolero of white chiffon. This curious little garment was drawn on over the décolleté corsage, and it was fastened in front by a small pearl ornament. For girls who have "salt cellars" in the neck transparent boleros of this kind would be a real boon. They are so light and filmy that they are hardly visible at

dressmakers in the Rue de la Paix is now reversing a generally-accepted order of things. Instead of combining transparent corsages with draperies of velvet and satin, this artist is putting velvet corsages and panniers on pleated skirts of chiffon and tulle. Just at first the effect is startling, or at least unexpected. Take, for example a beautiful dinner gown which consisted of a pleated double-tier skirt of black chiffon and a corsage and train of black mirror velvet. The corsage was arranged in the still popular cross-over style, and neither lace nor tulle was introduced to soften the sombre folds which fell directly on the neck. The panniers were large and rather flat, and there was a narrow, pointed train which was finished off with a jet tassel.

Pleated under-dresses become more and more the fashion for afternoon and evening wear. They may be arranged in plain "knife" pleats or done by the accordion method. As a rule, such skirts are made with a plain, tight-fitting top and then the pleats are set in about twelve inches below the waist line. PARISIENNE.

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CHAPTER XXIV. (continued).

"It seems to be your intention to insult me," said Renée. "In that case we had better say *adieu*." She swung round with a curt nod.

Inn. The man set her down at the low archway Holborn, and she walked through into the square. For a quarter of an hour she wandered about the

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PERSONAL.

R. J.—In case letter miscarries. Tuesday next at five.
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Moses.
AUGUST.—Happy New Year, been very ill; all my love
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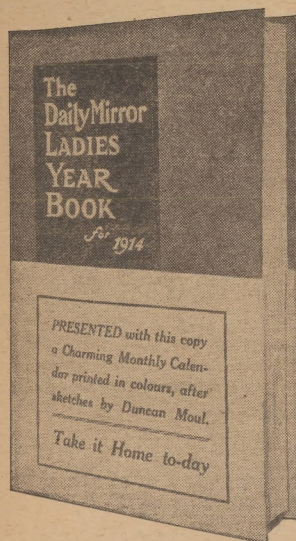
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THIS MORNING'S NEWS ITEMS.

Anti-Gas Campaign.

To oppose the erection of gasworks at Burlington, Chiswick, a strong Ratepayers' Defence Union has been formed by local residents.

Nation Owns Crystal Palace.

The Crystal Palace became public property yesterday, largely owing to the generosity of Lord Plymouth, who sacrificed some £30,000 to save it.

"Phantom" Bandits' Ninety-Two Crimes.

The "Phantom" bandits of Pegomas, in the Riviera, have, states the *Petit Parisien*, attempted another murder. This is their ninety-second crime in seven years.

Ban on Cramping.

To stop cramping for local scholarship examinations, the Rochester Education Committee has decided to allow no child under twelve to attend a public elementary school after school hours.

Burned to Death on Road.

While travelling from Gloucester to Bath yesterday, a motor mail-van driver found a roadside caravan in flames at Berkeley. Its occupant, a road material haulier, had been burned to death.

Cheaper Theatre Stalls.

The management of the Globe Theatre has decided to reduce the price of a certain number of stalls to 7s. 6d. each.

Prince Opens Golf Course.

By driving off the first ball, Prince Albert Christian of Schleswig-Holstein yesterday opened the new course of the Camberley Heath Golf Club.

Strike Spoils School Treats.

Owing to a general strike of the Blackburn Corporation workers yesterday the attendance at school treats and New Year gathering, declined, parents fearing a sudden collapse of the gas service.

"Spiral" Airman's Escape.

While Mr. J. E. B. Thornley, a young Eastbourne airman, was completing a spiral descent there yesterday from an altitude of 2,000ft., his machine fell into a dyke, but he escaped unhurt.

Colony Without Governor.

Stating that they have had no Governor for more than a year, says Reuter, the Portuguese African Colony of Lorenzo Marques have cabled to the Portuguese Premier praying that one be appointed.

"THE DAILY MIRROR" GALLERY OF BEAUTIES—NO. 58.

Another beauty brightens this page this morning, and very probably you know who she is. Readers are left to supply the names of the originals, and prizes of £10 and 100 books will be awarded to those sending in the most complete list of names of the originals with the best summary of their merits at the end of the twenty-six weeks during which the portraits are appearing. It is not too late to enter.—(Bassano.)



BLOWN TO LAMP-POST TOP

Boy's Unpleasant New Year Experience in Manhole Explosion at Brixton.

To be blown to the top of a lamp-post and to have his arm broken on New Year's Day was the unpleasant experience yesterday of a boy at Brixton, where two manholes exploded in Acton-lane.

A number of people had narrow escapes, and the explosion was heard all over Brixton. One manhole was blown as high as the top of the trees and fell, just missing a horse's head.

A number of windows in the neighbourhood were broken, and the pavement in several parts was blown up.

A workman employed in repairing stated that it was the biggest explosion of its kind that he had seen since the Bermondsey fatal explosion four or five years ago.

BAN ON FEATHERS?

Provision of Bill to Make the Wearing of Wild Birds' Plumes Illegal.

Will the wearing of wild birds' feathers be prohibited in this country?

It is proposed to introduce a Bill into Parliament next session to prevent the importation of the feathers of wild birds, but the objection has been suggested that, provided a woman on entering this country wears feathers she has bought abroad, she will be able to get through the Customs unchallenged.

The new Bill would make their wearing illegal.

Even foreign visitors to the United States are not allowed to wear the feathers of wild birds; if they do, the feathers are liable to be seized.

It is stated that Germany and Austria are willing to co-operate with Great Britain in this effort.



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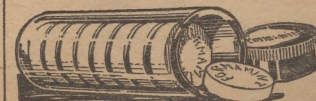
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UNEVEN BATTING IN THIRD TEST.

England Dismissed for 238, Despite
Another Big Innings by Hobbs.

FINE BOWLING BY TAYLOR.

In spite of a brilliant start, England, who batted first in the third Test match at Johannesburg yesterday, only totalled 238, the batting after Hobbs was out being disappointing. South Africa made 12 for no wicket, and then the game was stopped by bad light.

The weather was gloriously fine, but very hot, says Reuter, and the wicket hard and true. Douglass who won the toss, sent in Hobbs and Rhodes. Runs came at a fast rate from the start, and Rhodes scored three 4's in one over off Dixon. After that Hobbs batted in grand style, and the hundred went up after only an hour and eleven minutes play.

At that total Rhodes was lag-behind to Taylor, who had just gone on for Tuckett. Rhodes's 55 proved to be just second-top score, and was worth a lot to the side. Young Jack Hearne came in—he got a great reception—and stayed with Hobbs till lunch, when the score was 112. Hobbs was not out 65. Hearne not out 5.

After lunch Hobbs and Hearne played confident cricket, and 150 was up before the second wicket fell, Hearne being caught and bowled by Dixon for 27. A run later Mead, in attempting to hook Blackenberg, played on.

Immediately afterwards Hobbs was cleverly caught at the wicket for 92. In his brilliant innings he hit nine 4's, one 3 and eleven 2's. He was always master of the bowling for the 20, but he was in, made his runs by magnificent cricket and did not give a semblance of a chance.

Tompson and Douglas put on 58 and then the former was bowled by a swinger from Nourse, who had come on with the new ball at 201. Seven runs later another change was immediately effective, Taylor fastening Woolley leg before with his first ball.

Reel and Bird were soon out, and at 210 this tea interval was taken. Four good wickets had fallen very suddenly for 9 runs, and the outlook of the match quite changed. The last two wickets put on 26 and the score at the finish was decent, but not, in the circumstances, satisfactory.

Taylor proved a most useful change bowler and took three wickets for 15.

ENGLAND.		SOUTH AFRICA.	
Hobbs, c Ward, b Dixon	92	Reel, lbw, b Nourse	0
Rhodes, lbw, b Taylor	55	M. C. Bird, not out	27
Hearne, c b Dixon	27	Taylor	1
Mead, b Blackenberg	0	Hearne, b Blackenberg	9
The Hon. L. H. Tennyson, b Nourse	21	Strudwick, not out	9
J. W. H. T. Douglas, c b Blackenberg	30	Extras	1
Woolley, lbw, b Taylor	7	Total	238

Bowling—Taylor, 3 wts for 15 runs; Blackenberg, 3 for 54; Nourse, 2 for 22; Dixon, 2 for 62.

First Innings—H. W. Taylor, not out, 6; J. W. Zulch, not out, 3; extra 1; total (for no wkt), 12.

T. A. Ward, J. M. Blackenberg, A. D. Nourse, B. Beaumont, P. Harris, G. P. D. Hartigan, C. Newberry, T. Tuckett and C. Dixon to bat.—Reuter's Special Service.

CROSS-COUNTRY SPORT.

Veteran Runners Who Reached Their Prime at Middle Age—Promising Juniors.

Recently I dealt with some of our leading cross-country runners who are in the veteran stage, and ventured to suggest that the near future would see new blood depositing the old-time crack. I named several youngsters who have given promise of great achievements in the not far distant future.

This has disturbed the peace of mind of a reader who kindly draws my attention to the fact that prominence in cross-country racing calls for experienced men, and that many real good runners have shown their best after passing the age of thirty. One cannot deny the truth of this, but at the same time it must be accepted that the man whose top form does not show until late in life is not likely to retain that high standard for many years.

Present-day cross-country sport includes considerably more serious racing than used to be the case; hence, men who are not blessed with youth find it difficult to go through the strenuous programmes arranged nowadays.

One could compile quite a lengthy list of men between thirty and forty years of age who follow the game regularly, and do a fair amount of racing, but of course few of these are capable of holding their own against the best of the younger school. A race for the veterans' championship would surely be a good sporting event, but, writing from memory, I should say that the best old hand in Great Britain to-day is J. G. Coughlin, of Highgate H. and Irish A.C.

Other veterans who are still in the leading field include J. E. Deskin (Barrow A.C.), S. Deiding (South C. and A. Bimmer (Scholes), F. Lord (East Park C.) and J. Murphy (Hullamshire H.). I believe that Coughlin, Lord and Lee (Highgate, late of Hull) all showed their best training after reaching the age of thirty.

Again, in the race for the C. and A. Bimmer H. ten miles trophy the winner was Mr. Chambers, who, though thirty-two years of age, won the handicap and recorded second fastest time in the race. Yet he has been running over ten years, and this is his best performance in this event to date. One could give many more instances similar, but it were as well to remember that men finding belated form do not win championships.

The present holders of the National, Northern and Yorkshire championships is Ernest Glover (Hullamshire H.), and one can see in declaring that if this sterling athlete is to be deposed from any of these honours his conqueror will come from one of the young men—men who are in the prime of their powers.

England has won all the international cross-country championships held to date, but in recent years the men of France have improved tremendously, and the superiority of our team, as measured by the difference in points, has been declining year by year.

Fortunately, we have a lot of real good men at present, and there are others coming on who should develop into the class worth of upholding the traditions of the country in their birth. Outside those previously mentioned in this connection, one may name a few of comparatively small experience who should qualify for the highest of honours the sport can give in the future. Thus, in the South there is W. R. Raiton (Surrey A.C.), W. J. Tucker (Reading A.C.), the Southern champion and England champion in the 10 miles, G. Clark (late City of Rochester H.), now of Herne Hill H.), A. H. Nichols (Essex Beagles), J. Wilson (Slough H.), W. F. Richardson (1st Royal Artillery), and J. Humphries (Herne Hill H.) and V. E. Carpenter (Surrey A.C.).

In the Midlands there is A. E. Sanderson (Spithead H.), the surprise packet of last season—J. Slim (Beewood H.), who has shown great form this season—Mr. Kinn (Small Heath H.), R. Stanton (Birmingham), J. Wootton (North Staffs.).

The North is not behindhand in the supply of good material, though many of these promising youngsters have not yet shown form to justify their inclusion in a list of likely internationals. G. F. Roberts (Holmfirth H.), the Northern Junior champion, is very good, and has already been named as a candidate for the National championship, but writing as one who knows the abilities of Roberts well, and who has seen him in most of his races, I cannot put him as a danger to Glover.

McGOORTY BEATS DAVE SMITH.

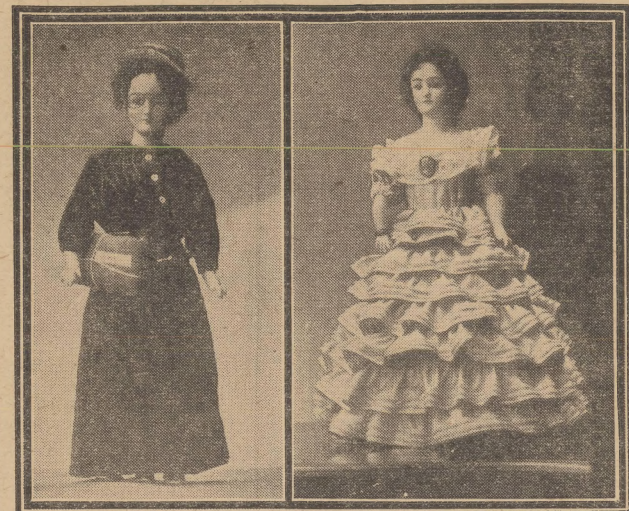
SYDNEY, Jan. 1.—At the Stadium here, in the presence of 18,000 spectators, Eddie McGorty, of America, knocked down Dave Smith three times in one round, and was out in one and a half minutes. The match was for the middle-weight championship of the world.—Reuter.

WELL-KNOWN ACTRESSES IN THE FORM OF DOLLS.



Great Catherine of Russia, dressed by
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Sweet Nell of Old Drury, by Miss
Julia Neilson.

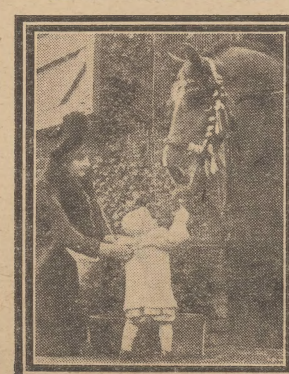


"Eliza Comes to Stay," by Miss
Eva Moore.

"Milestones," wearing a crinoline, by Miss
Irene Vanbrugh.

Dolls dressed by several leading actresses representing themselves in their favourite parts are being shown at Harrod's Stores, London, and are being admired by the crowds. Above are four of the dolls.—(Daily-Mirror photographs.)

HORSE RINGS A BELL.



An inmate of the Horses' Home of Rest, at Cricklewood, which rings the dinner-bell.

YESTERDAY'S WEDDING.



Mr. Norcup and his bride (daughter of Sir Frederick Bridge, the organist) married yesterday.

IRELAND'S GREAT WIN.

France Beaten in Rugby Match After
Leading by 2 Tries.

PARIS, Jan. 1.—The New Year's Day Rugby international between France and Ireland at the Parc des Princes, Paris, was won by Ireland by a goal and a try to two tries (8 points to 6), after a tremendous struggle.

The weather was fine but wintry, and the snow had to be cleared off the ground. Great interest was aroused by the match, which was witnessed by 30,000 spectators.

France kicked off and immediately took play into the Irish half, sticking to their ground advantage tenaciously, the efforts of the Frenchmen were rewarded by a try, scored by Lacaze, their wing three-quarter, eight minutes after the start.

During the greater part of the first half the Frenchmen dominated the game, keeping the ball continually in Irish territory. Towards the close of the half, however, R. H. Lloyd, the clever Irish half, took the game back into French ground, where he later failed in an attempt to convert from a free kick. At half-time France led by three points to nil.

Immediately after the restart the Frenchmen, wheeling sharply to the left, allowed Andre to nip in smartly, and running along the touchline he registered the second try for the Frenchmen. The kick at goal again failed.

The game became faster as time went on. Ireland made a great effort, and were now clearly the better team. The Frenchmen had apparently shot their bolt, and their play lacked entirely the sting which had characterized it throughout the first half.

A try for Ireland was gained by G. H. Wood, and Lloyd converted it with a beautiful kick. In spite of the fine defence of the Frenchmen this try was quickly followed by one from J. P. Quinn. Lloyd missing the place-kick, the whistle went soon after without any addition to the score. Ireland being the winners of a well-contested game by 8 points to 6.—Reuter.

AMATEUR INTERNATIONAL TRIAL.

In the amateur international trial at Stamford Bridge yesterday London beat the Southern Counties by 2 goals. The conditions did not favour a good display of football, the cold air and hard turf making some care essential, and the difficulty of keeping their feet caused many of the players to blunder in shooting.

In the attempt to centre when the ball was in the air, several London players were badly hurt, and several men slipped so badly that they were lucky to escape injury. The trial, therefore, the game was not of much service to the selectors who will pick the South team to play North later in the month.

The London halves—H. J. Flux, C. H. How and W. H. Swaine—had most to do in their side's victory. G. A. Fisher was sound at full back, and of the forwards C. H. How was the most prominent. Landrey cleverly scored the only goal of the first half, and he put in several smart shots. Lorton got the other goal when let in by an opponent's error.

C. Edmunds and T. G. Edwards made several attempts for the Counties, but E. E. Dennis, the London goalkeeper, seldom seemed troubled, his holding of the ball being very sure. J. W. Ballards, with much more to do, came through his ordeal well, many of his clearances being skillfully executed. About 500 people watched the game.

MANCHESTER RACES FROZEN OUT.

For the first time this season racing has been vetoed by the frost. Hopes were entertained on Wednesday that the weather would not interfere with the commencement of the Manchester Meeting, but very severe frosts during the night penetrated the covering of hay on the course and made a start impossible for today, but later they inspected the course again, and decided to abandon the meeting altogether.

There was no intimation at Euston that racing would be not possible, and a large number of London visitors reached Rugby before they were informed that the meeting had been postponed.

£20,000 GOLF COURSE OPENED.

Camberley Heath Golf Course, which was constructed at a cost of £20,000, was formally opened yesterday morning by the ceremony of cutting a long line, in which Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein figured. His Highness drove off the ball and partnered by Jack White, was beaten by Mr. Walter and W. Toogood, the club's professional, by 4 and 5.

The course, while not too hilly, is delightfully undulating and sporting. Being on a sandy soil, the course will probably be excellent winter golf. The clubhouse, erected at a cost of £5,000, is no doubt the best of its kind, and includes every convenience required by golfers, including bedrooms.

During the season tennis and croquet courts will be well as well as a bowling green. Later on tennis courts, badminton and other sports will receive attention. The club's members are 118, and the club's secretary is Mr. W. H. White, who, whilst at Bognor, took a close interest in the construction of the course.

POWDERHALL HANDICAP.

The heats of the 130 yards handicap for £120 were run off at Powderhall, Edinburgh, yesterday before 10,000 spectators. The weather was cold, and the track was in a soft condition. G. H. Greig of Manchester, 114 yds. start, was a very warm favourite for the race at 2 to 1 against, and he won his heat easily in 13 3/5.

Kevin generated some fine heat, the men well backed, with the exception of J. Ramsay (Edinburgh), all winning their heats with ease. M. Hendry (Leith), 9 yds. start, was beaten in his heat, as also were W. Lerott (Ryehouse), 10 yds., and A. Seymour (Bingley), 12 1/2 yds., who were all backed to win the handicap outright.

SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

In spite of the optimistic reports, skating prospects around Cambridge were not good yesterday. Probably owing to the dry autumn, the meadows which are being flooded for rinks are holding the water badly, the ice is of poor quality and there is little of it.

The local committee of the National Skating Association, however, have arranged their championships—the amateurs for Monday and the professional for Tuesday. The ice is reported to be good at Littleport, where arrangements are being made for a commencement of racing to-morrow with professional skaters.

It has been decided to hold the Yorkshire championship to-morrow afternoon from Fish Ponds to Carlton Towers Park. Fred Glesmann (Scholes), the holder, won the championship on February 1, 1912. Skating was general in Selby yesterday, but a thaw set in after noon.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

The vacancy in the Rest team for the Rugby international which at Trondheim to-morrow will be filled by J. H. Addison (Headingley).

Over £43,000 was taken at the home matches of 1st Spurs at Christmas time, the receipts on the occasion of the visit of Chelsea exceeding £17,000.

Last night's scores in the billiards matches now in progress were: At Soho-square: Newman, 6, 686; Rees, 4, 601. At Leicester-square: Harverson, 6, 418; Stevenson, 3, 367.

Oxford University Decanals took another successful step in their North-West tour yesterday, where arrangements were made for a commencement of racing to-morrow with professional skaters. The ice is reported to be good at Littleport, where arrangements are being made for a commencement of racing to-morrow with professional skaters.

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Bandsman Blake Beats the Dixie Kid. See Pages 1, 3, and 14.

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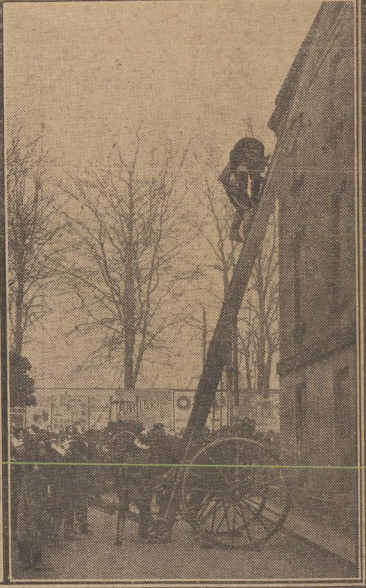
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SOUTHAMPTON FIRE BRIGADE STATION OPENED BY THE MAYOR.



The chief of the brigade and his son.

The mayor and councillors on the engine.

A rescue at the demonstration.

The fire brigade station at Shirley, Southampton, was opened yesterday by the mayor. The photographs are of scenes at the opening ceremony, which was fol-

lowed by a demonstration by members of the brigade. The mayor and councillors attended in their official capacity, and great public interest was shown in the event.

WAS THE FRAGSON CRIME PREMEDITATED? PAULETTE BELIEVES THE MURDERER SANE.



Fragson and his father in a trio.

Mlle. Paulette Franck, the beautiful young tango dancer, said to be the indirect cause of the murder.

Paulette Franck, the beautiful young French tango dancer who, it is said, indirect cause of the murder of Harry Fragson, because the dead comedian's aroused the old father's jealousy, believes that Fragson's murder was

premeditated. She also believes that old Mr. Pott intended to compass her own death. "Ah, monsieur, I feared that dreadful old man, both for Harry's sake and for mine," she tearfully said to the police commissary, in speaking of the father.